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Date: June 3, 2005

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Docket No.: BIH-002AX

Sir:

In re application of: William Cohn, et al.

Entitled: SUTURE SYSTEM

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable:

- This is a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114; authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$_ __) per §1.17(e). Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _ per §1.116.
- [X]A Petition for Extension of Time for 3 month is hereby made under §1.136(a); authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$510.00) per §1.17.
- In the event a Petition for Extension of Time is required by this paper and not otherwise provided, such Petition is hereby [X]made and authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of such extension.
- []Other:

CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT:	MINUS PRIOR PAID CLAIMS:	EQUALS PRESENT EXTRA CLAIMS:	RATE:	ADDITIONAL FEE:
Independent	2 - 2	= 0	x \$200.00 =	0.00
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[X]	No additional fee.	[]	The fee has been calculated above; authorization is provided herewith to charge
			Deposit Account No. 23-0804 (\$) for the cost of same.

[X]The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees under §1.16 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0804.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via facsimile to Examiner Gary Jackson, TC Art Unit 3731, Fax No. (703) 872 9306, on June 3, 2005.

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